



# Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove,  
Uniting Church in Australia

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A warm welcome is extended to all visitors today.  
God's richest blessings to you all.

## SERVICES TODAY

9.00am Barwon Heads  
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

10.30am Ocean Grove  
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## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads  
Ms. Jean Murray

10.30.00am Ocean Grove  
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May 13th World Fair Trade Day  
May 28th Reconciliation Sunday

## LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Easter 2) Acts 2: 14a, 22-32, Psalm 16  
1 Peter 1: 3-9, John 20: 19-31

NEXT WEEK (Easter 3) Acts 2: 14a, 36-41, Psalm 116: 1-4, 12-19  
1 Peter 1: 17-23, Luke 24: 13-35

## KEY VERSE

**“keep me safe, O God, for in you I take refuge”**  
**Psalm 16: 1**

## **BARWON HEADS NEWS**

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS:** Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email [oguc107@gmail.com](mailto:oguc107@gmail.com) or phone 5256 2477 and leave a message.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you would like prayer through the week, to activate the prayer chain, please contact Fay on 5254 1763 or 0447 314 377 where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

**OUR NEXT LADIES FELLOWSHIP** met last Wednesday, after our holiday break. We welcomed two new members who are keen to return. After we sang a hymn, we joined Adair in prayer. She then spoke about the power, the comfort and the blessings of prayer, as well as prayers to give thanks to God. We then enjoyed a friendly chat and afternoon tea.

**ROSTERS FOR MAY—AUGUST** have been completed and emailed out. There will also be hard copies displayed in the porch and hall. Many thanks to everyone who volunteers. Sally Hobbs.

**SAMMY STAMP** group members meet in the church hall on Wednesday the 26th of April, at 1.30pm to trim and sort used postage stamps. Thanks to all who contribute to the supply of used stamps by leaving them in the red box in the church porch.

**All welcome to morning tea  
in the Church Hall after the service.**

PLEASANT SUNDAY AFTERNOON "THE MERRY WIDOW"  
Presented by the Essendon Choral Society and Singularity  
Sunday May the 7th  
Uniting Church Hall, Newcombe Street Portarlington.  
Tickets \$15 includes cuppa, homemade slices and biscuits  
after the show.

Tickets available at the door or by phoning Barry Ruler 5259 3304

Tom Healey plays the organs at Geelong Grammar  
3.00pm Sunday the 30th of April  
Geelong Grammar School, Corio (Chapel & Music School)  
Tom Healey will showcase the 2 manual, 20 stop Fincham organ recently  
installed in the Music School auditorium and the 3 manual, 48 stop Walker  
organ in the Chapel of All Saints.

Admission Free

Car Park access from School Road Enquiries 5273 9275

Sunday May 28th  
St Andrew's Uniting Church Portarlington  
12.30pm Authentic Iraqi buffet style 2 course meal.  
Prepared, cooked and served by Siham and Abdul  
Guest speaker—Mohammed Isah  
From Lentara UnitingCare Asylum Seeker Program  
Cost \$25.00 per head.  
Places will be limited so get in early  
Prior bookings essential  
Call Marilyn Bertram 5251 1102 or Joy Porter 5291 8177  
Profits to Lentara UnitingCare Asylum Seeker Project.

### *Thank you*

*Thank you ALL for the encouragement, support, care and love shown to us since we came to Ocean Grove in 1994. Actually Jean Gunn was our first visitor, and Mollie Jardine recognised us down the street which made us feel very welcome.*

*We have felt very much at home here and have been privileged to be part of the choir, Fetes and seen the growth of the church and its new projects such as the dove (which we think is such a great asset).*

*Derek has also appreciated the support shown to the Westgate Concert Band when they perform down here. We will miss the people here. You have become part of "our family"*

*We wish you God's blessing in your future journey as His people.*

*Our new address will be Unit 4 2 Glendale Court, Werribee 3030 Phone 9742 9004 Mobile 0425 705 558 Visitors are welcome, but please ring first to ensure that we are at home.*

*Derek and Joan Humphrey*

## OCEAN GROVE NEWS

**RETIRING OFFERING:** From now until the end of money we will be raising money to support the building of a new Mapoon Church on Queensland's Cape York Peninsula. Thank you to all who gave so generously to the Lenten Appeal the result will be published later.

**PRAYER CONTACT:** If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) please contact Helen Baum on 5255 1487

**FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT** Drop in for a tea/coffee, biscuit or two, a chat and always a good laugh. Stay for 5 minutes or an hour if you like. All are welcome

**LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY :** If you are wondering how you might support the work of our food pantry tins of crushed tomatoes, sweet corn kernels and baked beans would be greatly appreciated by the many people who come seeking our assistance.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with the recent Second hand Book and Painting Sale. The result of this three day event was \$705.10 Thank you also to those who helped last Saturday with the "Recycled Treasures" sale. It was a great success with over \$700 being raised. If you can help on a Saturday morning with this fundraising effort please see Jean Konings.

**UCAF:** The next meeting will be held on Monday April the 24th at 10.00am in the church foyer. Cathy Bond will speak to us about "The Welcome Place". Please bring a small plate of morning tea. All welcome to hear this most interesting speaker.

**MAINTENANCE ISSUES:** In order for small maintenance issues to be addressed there is now a request sheet on the noticeboard. If you see or find something that needs addressing around the church please complete the required details and the Property Committee will attend to the problem as soon as possible.

**CAN YOU REMEMBER WHAT WE WERE ALL DOING LAST MAY?** We were using our "talents" as part of our yearly fundraising efforts. It was such a success that the Fundraising Committee feel it is worthy trying again. So come on all you talented people, make those craft items, "stir" up those jams, pickles and chutneys, bake some more of those delicious cakes, biscuits and pies, or get creative with your own ideas. There will be a table in the foyer of the church each Sunday for you to sell your goods, and if you want to, there is the opportunity to sell at the next "Recycled Treasures" sale on Saturday May the 20th. Maybe we could have some "buskers" or someone may like to sell some plants etc. at this already well supported fundraiser. If you are intending to be at there on May the 20th, please let either Neil Derrick, Jean Konings, Dianne Sapwell, Robert Quarrell or Judy Greer know so that a suitable area and table/s are ready for you.